Announcements

□ Homework for tomorrow...

Ch. 26, Probs. 40 Ch. 28, CQ. 4, Probs. 2 & 4

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CQ12: a) 2 b) ½ 26.16: E = 1.1 x 10⁵ N/C

26.18: 25 nC

26.22: 2.8 x 10⁵ N/C

□ Office hours...

MW 10-11 am

TR 9-10 am

F 12-1 pm

■ Tutorial Learning Center (TLC) hours:

MTWR 8-6 pm F 8-11 am, 2-5 pm Su 1-5 pm

Chapter 28

The Electric Potential

(Electric Potential Energy)

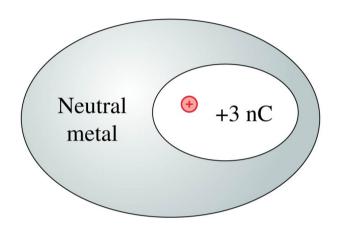
Last time...

Conductors in *electrostatic equilibrium*...

- 1. E-field is ZERO at all points w/in the conductor.
- 2. Any excess q resides on the exterior surface.
- 3. E-field at the surface of a charged conductor..
 - is *perpendicular* to the surface.
 - is of magnitude η/ε_0 , where η is the surface charge density at that pt.
- 4. E-field is ZERO inside any hole w/in a conductor, unless there is a q in the hole.

Quiz Question 1

A +3 nC charge is in a hollow cavity inside a large chunk of metal that is electrically neutral. The total charge on the exterior surface of the metal is



- 1. o nC.
- 2. +3 nC.
- 3. -3 nC.
- 4. Can't say without knowing the shape and location of the hollow cavity.

Mechanical Energy Conservation

$$E_{mech} = K_1 + U_1 = K_2 + U_2$$

In any *isolated* system of objects interacting only through *conservative* forces, the total $mechanical\ energy\ E = K + U$, of the system, remains the same at all times.

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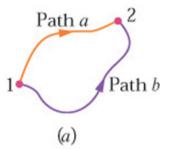
$$\Delta E_{mech} = \Delta K + \Delta U = 0$$

About Conservative Forces...

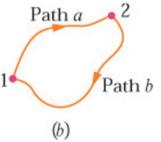
The work done by a conservative force on a particle

- is path independent.
- moving around any closed path is zero.

$$W_{1\rightarrow 2}^{path \quad a} + W_{2\rightarrow 1}^{path \quad b} = 0$$

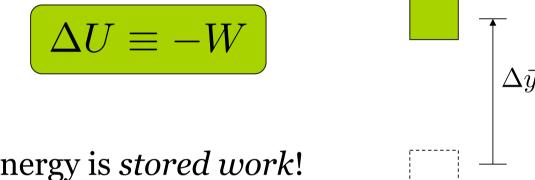


□ The electric force is a *conservative force*.



Defining Potential Energy change...

The *change in potential energy* for a conservative system is defined as the *negative* of the internal work the system does on itself when it undergoes a reconfiguration.



□ Potential energy is *stored work*!

Potential Energy cont..

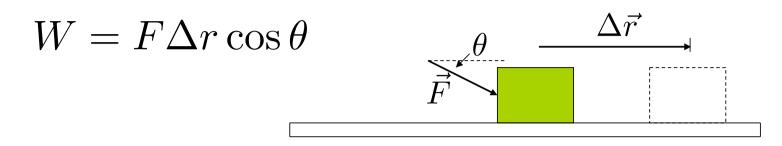
Notice:

- □ Potential energy is *stored* energy waiting to be 'let loose'.
- □ Potential energy is a relative energy...

 The zero-reference level is arbitrary & must be chosen.
- □ Can only measure a *change* in P.E.

Work done by a Constant Force...

The work done by a constant force on a particle?



in terms of the dot product

$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \Delta \vec{r}$$

☐ But what about a *variable force?*

Work done by a Variable Force...

The work done by a variable force (or a variable path) on a particle?

$$W = \int_{i}^{f} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

For a *uniform g*-field...

The *work done* on a particle of mass *m* falling in a *g*-field is...

$$W_{grav} = ec{F} \cdot \Delta ec{r}$$
 $W_{grav} = -\Delta U_{grav}$ \overrightarrow{y} \overrightarrow{y}

For a *uniform E*-field...

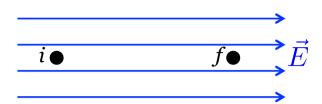
The *work done* on a particle of charge *q* 'falling' in an *E*-field is...

$$W_{elec} = \vec{F} \cdot \Delta \vec{r}$$
 $W_{elec} = -\Delta U_{elec}$
 $\Delta U_{elec} = qE\Delta s$

But what about a negative charge?

Quiz Question 2

An e^- moves from point i to point f, in the direction of a uniform E-field. During this displacement...



- 1. The work done by the field is *positive* and the potential energy of the electron-field system *increases*.
- 2. The work done by the field is *negative* and the potential energy of the electron-field system *increases*.
- 3. The work done by the field is *positive* and the potential energy of the electron-field system *decreases*.
- 4. The work done by the field is *negative* and the potential energy of the electron-field system *decreases*.
- 5. The work done by the field is *positive* and the potential energy of the electron-field system *does not change*.

i.e. 28.1:

Conservation of Energy

A 2.0 cm x 2.0 cm parallel-plate capacitor with a 2.0 mm spacing is charged to \pm 1.0 nC. 1st a proton, then an electron are released from rest at the midpoint of the capacitor.

- a. What is each particle's change in electric potential energy from its release until it collides with one of the plates?
- b. What is each particle's speed as it reaches the plate?